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Please allow the states to come up with their own methods of dealing with Microsoft's abuse of their monopoly. I would like to see a punishment that actually discourages their behavior, while allowing third party software and hardware companies a chance. The government's recommendation just exasperates the problem, it certainly doesn't do anything to solve it.

Sincerely,

Eric Smith